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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-15, 19 and 21-25 are in the present application, of which claims 1, 7, 13 and 21 are independent. Claims 1, 7, 13 and 21 have been amended herein. A new claim 25 has been added. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-15, 19 and 21-24. Applicants further respectfully request consideration on the merit and allowance of claim 25.

Applicants appreciate the time and courtesy extended by the Examiner to applicants' attorney during the telephone interview of January 16, 2004. During the interview, an agreement was reached that claims 1-15, 19 and 21-25 as amended by the proposed claim amendments (submitted on January 15, 2004) and as required by the Examiner during the telephone interview, overcome the rejection over U.S. Patent Nos. 5,515,077 and 6,353,460, the applied prior arts.

Claims 1-15, 19 and 21-24 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,515,077 ("Tateyama") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,353,460 ("Sokawa et al.").

Regarding claim 1, the Office Action states "Tateyama teaches the method of horizontally scrolling a display window to the left comprising the steps of receiving a data packet (Y0 Y1 U0 V0) (figure 28) that includes a field for a blank start pixel value (Y0 U0 V0), which indicates a number of pixels to be blanked out."

However, as discussed during the telephone interview, applicants submit that Tateyama and Sokawa et al. do not teach

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or suggest "receiving a header data packet that includes a field for a blank start pixel value, which is a numerical value that indicates a number of pixels to be blanked out," as recited in claim 1 as amended. Therefore, applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 1 be withdrawn and that it be allowed.

Since claims 2-6 and 25 depend, directly or indirectly, from claim 1, they incorporate all the terms and limitations of claim 1 in addition to other limitations, which together further patentably distinguish them over the cited references. Therefore, applicants request that the rejection of claims 2-6 be withdrawn, and that claims 2-6 and 25 be allowed.

Claim 7 recites, in a relevant portion, "receiving a header data packet that includes a field for a blank start pixel value, which is a numerical value that indicates a number of pixels to be blanked out." Since this limitation is neither taught nor suggested by the cited references, applicants request that the rejection of claim 7 be withdrawn and that it be allowed.

Since claims 8-12 depend, directly or indirectly, from claim 7, they incorporate all the terms and limitations of claim 7 in addition to other limitations, which together further patentably distinguish them over the cited references. Therefore, applicants request that the rejection of claims 8-12 be withdrawn, and that they be allowed.

Claim 13 recites, in a relevant portion, "a window controller for transmitting a header data packet to the display engine, the header data packet including a field for a blank start pixel value, which is a numerical value that indicates a

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number of pixels to be blanked out." Since this limitation is neither taught nor suggested by the cited references, applicants request that the rejection of claim 13 be withdrawn and that it be allowed.

Since claims 14-15 and 19 depend, directly or indirectly, from claim 13, they incorporate all the terms and limitations of claim 13 in addition to other limitations, which together further patentably distinguish them over the cited references. Therefore, applicants request that the rejection of claims 14-15 and 19 be withdrawn, and that they be allowed.

Claim 21 recites, in a relevant portion, "a window controller for transmitting a header data packet to the display engine, the header data packet including a field for a blank start pixel value, which is a numerical value that indicates a number of pixels to be blanked out." Since this limitation is neither taught nor suggested by the cited references, applicants request that the rejection of claim 21 be withdrawn and that it be allowed.

Since claims 22-24 depend from claim 21, they incorporate all the terms and limitations of claim 21 in addition to other limitations, which together further patentably distinguish them over the cited references. Therefore, applicants request that the rejection of claims 22-24 be withdrawn, and that they be allowed.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, applicants respectfully request an early issuance of a patent with claims 1-15, 19 and 21-25. If there are any remaining issues that can

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be addressed over the telephone, the Examiner is invited to call applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

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